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God's Plan for Humanity

The Humans Rebel

God Chooses a People

God's People Rebel

Jesus the King

The Empowered Church

God's Mission Accomplished

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דעת

da‘at

“Knowledge”

ידע

yāda‘

“to know via experience”

4:1 Adam “made love” to
his wife Eve...

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15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden;¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

Genesis 2:15-17 (NIV)

¹ Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden’?”

Genesis 3:1 (NIV)

² The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, ³ but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’ ”

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Genesis 2:9 (NIV)

4 “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman. 5 “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Genesis 3:4-5 (NIV)

⁶ When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Genesis 3:6 (NIV)

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Genesis 3:7 (NIV)

19 By the sweat of your brow
you will eat your food
until you return to the ground,
since from it you were taken;
for dust you are
and to dust you will return.”

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Genesis 3:15-17 (NIV)

Something is wrong with the humans...

Genesis 3 Humans Rebel

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Genesis 4

Cain murders Abel

Genesis 6

Every inclination... was only evil

5 The LORD saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time.

Something is wrong with the humans...

Genesis 3

Humans Rebel

Genesis 4

Cain murders Abel

Genesis 6

Every inclination... was only evil

Genesis 11

Humans divide into warring nations

46 When they sin against you – for there is no one who does not sin – ...

1 Kings 8:46 (NIV)

9 The heart is deceitful above all things
and beyond cure.

Who can understand it?

Jeremiah 17:9 (NIV)

21 ... every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood.

Genesis 8:21 (NIV)

5 Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Psalm 51:5 (NIV)

¹ As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ² in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

Ephesians 2:1-2 (NIV)

⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions — it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶ And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, ⁷ in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:4-7 (NIV)